

# Which were the New England Colonies?

The New England Colonies were Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire.

- ▶ New England settlers were mainly English Puritans. They came seeking the freedom to practice their own religion.
- ▶ Most New Englanders made a living by farming, fishing, hunting whales, or building ships.
- ▶ Many villages required settlers to attend religious services and pay taxes to support the churches.

## 1620

Plymouth, Massachusetts, is founded by *Pilgrims*, a religious group that split off from the Puritans.



Which was the first New England settlement? Which rivers had towns far from the Atlantic coast? Use this map with map B to find settled areas that did not have large towns.

